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SUBJECT: APPROACH TO PRC ON US TROOP WITHDRAWAL FROM KOREA

1. ASST SEC HOLBROOKE CALLED IN PRC LIAISON OFFICE ACTING
CHIEF HAN HSU JULY 8 TO EXPLAIN OUR POSITION ON US GROUND
TROOP WITHDRAWALS FROM KOREA. HOLBROOKE NOTED THAT OUR
PLANNED GROUND FORCE WITHDRAWAL SIGNIFIES NO CHANGE WHAT-
SOEVER IN OUR FIRM COMMITMENT TO THE ROK'S SECURITY, AND
EMPHASIZED IT WOULD BE A SERIOUS MISTAKE IF THE NORTH
KOREANS WERE TO ASSUME OTHERWISE. MR. HOLBROOKE ASKED
THE CHINESE GOVERNMENT TO CONVEY THIS MESSAGE TO NORTH
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KOREA.

2. HAN RESPONDED ALONG STANDARD LINES. HE SAID HE COULD
NOT CONVEY ANY MESSAGE TO THE NORTH KOREANS, AND THAT IF
THE UNITED STATES HAD A MESSAGE FOR THEM, IT SHOULD CONVEY
THE MESSAGE DIRECTLY. HE ALSO REITERATED THE "CONSISTENT"
CHINESE POSITION THAT THE US SHOULD WITHDRAW SPEEDILY ALL

ITS FORCES, INCLUDING AIR AND NAVAL FORCES FROM KOREA, AND
LET THE KOREAN PEOPLE SOLVE THEIR PROBLEMS THEMSELVES.

3. WE DO NOT INTEND TO INFORM OTHER GOVERNMENTS OF
HOLBROOKE-HAN MEETING. IF QUERIED ON GENERAL QUESTION
OF WHETHER WE HAVE MADE OUR POSITION ON TROOP WITHDRAWAL

CLEAR TO PEKING, YOU MAY REPLY IN THE AFFIRMATIVE, DRAW-
ING ON SUBSTANCE OF PARA 1 ABOVE. YOU SHOULD NOT REFER
TO THE MEETING WITH HAN. MEMCON FOLLOWS. VANCE

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